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For Immediate ReleaseContact: Gail Myers
Phone: (808) 768-5015**COUNCILMEMBER ANDERSON HONORS PATRICIA A. KAHANAMOKU
TERUYA FOR COMMUNITY SERVICE**

Patricia A. Kahanamoku Teruya was honored today at Honolulu City Council by Councilmember Ikaika Anderson. Teruya, a west Oahu resident, has been instrumental in coordinating and channeling many events and projects in the Waimanalo Community. Through her vision and her networking skills, the Waimanalo Construction Coalition has been able to secure grants and partnerships for economic growth, and development for hundreds of native Hawaiian students in the fields of pharmacy technology, commercial drivers licensing, bus driving and Type 4 licensing, all at no cost to the students. As Secretary/Treasurer for the Coalition, Teruya, in addition to obtaining grants for classes, ensures that all applications are processed in a timely manner; she has made it her personal mission to assist all students in overcoming adversity and other obstacles to success and more importantly, to see that no one is left behind. In addition to her work with the Coalition, Teruya has spearheaded many community events in Waimanalo such as Sunset on the Beach at Waimanalo Beach Park, Re-Discover the Waimanalo Country Fair, and the 11th annual Waimanalo Christmas Parade. Numerous clean up projects have taken place under Teruya's direction through an acquired donated labor work force. The Coalition has expressed its gratitude to Teruya for her devotion and loyalty. Anderson stated, "it is so admirable and heartwarming that this fine individual offers so much of herself and her time to someone else's community. Her presence and can-do spirit are always welcome in Waimanalo." Teruya is the grand niece of the late, great Duke Kahanamoku and currently serves as full time Special Events Coordinator for the City & County's Customer Services Department. Joining Teruya at the Council's Honorary Ceremony were her daughter-in-law Karlel, Aunt Amber Hale, Waimanalo Construction Coalition President, Andrew Jamila, Jr., friend and recent Council honoree Richard "Bolo" Kahawai and his wife Karen and several members of Kahawai's work staff, Donna Smith of EK Fernandez, John Dudoit of Safe & Sober Houses and Gail Haraguchi, Director of City Department of Customer Services.